

MILITARY PREPARATIONS INCREASE EVERY WEEK

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DANGER OF BITTER CIVIL WAR

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London, July 5.—With every week of suspense in the settlement of the future government of Ireland the menace of the military preparations by the Ulster and the home rule volunteers increases. The present tendency among the volunteers of the South is to accept leadership by the Nationalist party, which John Redmond offered them. Thus led, there would be a clear division of home rulers and anti-home rule men into hostile armed camps. The danger of a bitter civil war which such a prospect presents furnishes the best safeguard for peace.

Correspondents of the Associated Press at Dublin and Belfast have written of the situation from the Nationalist and Ulster points of view, respectively. The most interesting development is the plan, hitherto unpublished, of the Government, under Sir Edward Carson, for taking charge of affairs by force if a provisional government is set up, and the fact that the commercial men of Belfast have used their influence in Ulster councils to postpone radical action until a home rule Parliament has been established in Dublin. The great question which confronts the Nationalist volunteers is how far their American sympathizers are likely to come forward with funds for their arms and equipment.

ESTIMATES OF NUMBER NOT AT ALL EXACT

Dublin, July 5.—Estimates of the number of the Irish Nationalist volunteers vary between 50,000, which is the Dublin Castle figure compiled by the police, and 250,000, which is the estimate given in platform speeches. Careful inquiry shows that there are 50,000 in London, which takes the lead, about 45,000 in Ulster (increasing rapidly), 35,000 in Munster and 25,000 in Connaught.

The difficulty of exact estimate arises from the fact that the movement is not organized from the centre. Forces have sprung up spontaneously in every parish, and so far are only loosely connected with the provisional central body. There has been a complete wiping out of all class distinctions, and the rank and file include every grade—farmers, laborers, shop assistants, clerks, doctors, lawyers and country gentlemen. There is a very strong leaning of time-expired soldiers—old Connaught Rangers, Dublin Fusiliers and Munster Fusiliers, and their experience is proving useful in the drill.

The chief military commanders are Colonel Maurice Moore, who commanded the Connaught Rangers in the Boer War, and Captain White, a son of the General White who defended Ladysmith. Recent recruits are Sir Henry Grattan Bellow, a grandson of the great Henry Grattan, who had experience in the Fifth Dragoon Guards and Captain Bellingham, who was in the Marchioness of Conyngham, who is at present an aide-de-camp to the Lord-Lieutenant. Military experience, however slight, is at a premium, and a medical student, who has been in the army, is training in commanding as sergeant a squad which includes among the privates a university professor of law.

MATERIAL EXCELLENT ENTHUSIASM UNBOUNDED

The army has extremely little equipment and almost no money. But the material is excellent and the enthusiasm unbounded. Mr. Redmond's open declaration that the movement will remove the difficulty of getting money. The men in charge of the movement are for the most part unknown, and there has been much reluctance to provide funds in the public eye who would spend the money and for what.

The central body consists of twenty-five men of whom fifteen are said to be home rulers in sympathy with Mr. Redmond, but the more active, influential and effective spirits are members of the Sinn Féin party. They have few supporters in the country, and the great bulk of the volunteers are supporters of Redmond. Mr. Redmond offered his co-operation to the central body if he was allowed to nominate an equal number of men on it, pending the election of the volunteer branches of a central executive. Pending acceptance, he will recommend each county to govern itself.

This offer was rejected on a hastily summoned meeting of the executives, who proposed that each county should elect a representative to sit with them. This has produced strong protest from Professor Kerr, who says the meeting was not properly convened and asks for a full meeting when the members would accept Mr. Redmond's offer. Mr. Redmond cannot allow a movement mainly composed of his supporters to be commanded by a self-qualified body, of which the most active members are opponents of his. Once the volunteer members can hold their convention to check an executive, the matter will settle itself. Meantime there may be friction, which will be related to a great extent by making each county govern its own volunteers.

CONSIDER MOVEMENT NOT TO BE TAKEN SERIOUSLY

Belfast, July 5.—The leaders of the Covenanters in Ulster profess to consider the Nationalist volunteer movement as something not to be taken seriously. These Nationalist bands in the Ulster counties drill spasmodically and are not connected with any central organization. All the local leaders are entirely of their own initiative. In some districts the volunteers are split into factions under opposing leaders, who carry on a newspaper warfare.

The Ulster leaders say that the Nationalist volunteers must fall through the impossibility of getting arms. They claim to have many letters from America showing that the Irish there are not at all inclined to home rule, and now that they consider an Irish Parliament assured, they propose to let those in Ireland settle their internal questions without help. Even if American sympathizers should recall the war chest, the present government measures to suppress gun-running in all ports would checkmate them.

We have two years' start in the matter of arms, and we mean to keep it," an official of the Ulster Unionist Council said to the Associated Press.

In many Ulster villages the Nationalist bands are being drilled by retired army sergeants near the halls and parade grounds of the Ulster battalions, and the townspeople are able to watch the preparations of both forces.

There were 2,500 Nationalist volunteers in Belfast about the middle of June and many more in Londonderry city, where Catholics and Protestants

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Huerta says he will resign when Mexico is "pacified." From the picture above you can guess how soon that will be.

are much more evenly balanced in numbers.

In the Covenanter movement there are two distinct factions at present. One is a militant section, which advocates immediate provocative action, with the belief that bloodshed would shock the English nonconformists and force Asquith to grant Ulster's demand for permanent exclusion from an Irish government. The other faction, which includes important business men, fought successfully to prevent the declaration of a provisional government for Ulster when the home rule bill passed the third reading in the House of Commons. The first faction now clamors to have the provisional government set up when the King signs the bill, while the more conservative business interests counsel delay until the Irish Parliament in Dublin is launched. Sir Edward Carson sided with the latter faction at the last conference of leaders here.

BOLD VOLUNTEERS BECOME IMPATIENT

Meantime, the volunteers, saturated with the military spirit, are becoming impatient. Some battalions have even sent deputations of officers to headquarters to ask when the campaign would begin and the work of keeping the bold spirits quiet is increasingly difficult.

The headquarters staff has worked out a plan of campaign for hostilities. It is unlikely that they will attempt to use this citizen force against trained regulars with heavy guns, for, as one officer remarked, the most they could expect would be to put up one good fight and be cut to pieces. The present plans are to keep the Ulster Nationalists in check when the provisional government is set up.

Most of the Belfast volunteers are being formed into four regiments, known as the Belfast Division, which will act as a police force. A flying column, composed of 2,500 picked and paid volunteers, a majority of whom are old soldiers, has been organized as a first line striking force with motor transport capable of conveying it to any part of Ulster in less than four hours. This force is armed throughout with new Mausers, and possesses ten Maxim guns of the latest pattern. Certain county regiments, especially those of Antrim and Armagh, would go on active service with this column, while other county regiments, including Londonderry, must remain at home to suppress the Nationalists.

If the provisional government were established the flying column would be sent to Londonderry, where the Nationalists are strongest, while the East and West Belfast regiments would form double cordons around the two Nationalist districts of this city, with Maxims covering the principal street. In connection that the Nationalists are bringing in carboys of vitriol, which women would pour on the troops from windows as they poured boiling water during the rioting some years ago, has reached Carson's headquarters. "If there is a single act of that kind," said a staff officer, "the building where it is done will be entered, wrecked and every officer killed."

MAN ON BICYCLE FIRES AT CARMAN

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The shot was fired, testified he saw Mrs. Carman on the front porch of her home when he entered the house a half-hour before the shot was fired. When it was suggested he might have mistaken Mrs. Carman for his sister, Goldner was confronted with the two women and immediately identified Mrs. Carman as the woman he had seen not only on the porch before the murder, but in the doctor's office just after it.

Mrs. Carman and Mrs. Powell both denied they were on the front porch at all on last Tuesday night.

Now, Coroner Norton says he understands Mrs. Powell has "refreshed his memory" and remembers she was sitting on the porch with Mrs. Platt

Conklin, her mother, when Goldner arrived.

MRS. CONKLIN WILL TELL HER STORY TO CORONER

Mrs. Conklin is too ill to testify at the inquest, and the coroner will visit the Carman home to-morrow to hear her story. Mrs. Conklin, according to District Attorney Smith, who has already interviewed her, will say she was on the porch when Goldner arrived. Mrs. Conklin's statement, it is said, was one of the things that caused Mrs. Powell to "refresh her memory."

Detectives working on the case declared to-night that one of their number had discovered a clue which led him to believe the murder of Mrs. Bailey was the result of a conspiracy hatched by three women living in a near-by village. The motive, the detectives said, was revenge.

The heavy guard thrown around the Carman house last night was taken off to-day. One policeman in uniform remained at the house. To-night, however, the guard on all sides of the house was replaced, and Sheriff Pettit said it would remain until morning.

AUTO HITS ELECTRIC TRAIN

Two Occupants Killed and Other Is at Point of Death.

Jamaica, N. Y., July 5.—A runaway containing a man and two women crashed through the closed gates of the Hempstead Turnpike crossing of the Long Island Railroad at Queens Village to-night. The runaway struck the second car of an electric train, which crushed and dragged it for 300 yards under a rolling sheet of electric flames.

When the burning ruin of the machine was lifted from the unconscious forms, the man was dead. One of the women, a beautiful girl of twenty, died half an hour later in a Jamaica Hospital, and the other woman is at the point of death. She had not regained consciousness since the accident.

Although the victims obviously were persons of means and refinement, they had not been identified up to a late hour to-night. At the time of the accident the runaway was racing a large touring car.

The driver of the touring car managed to bring it to a stop within a few feet of the gates, but the brakes of the other car apparently failed to work.

MINER DIES OF WOUND

Man Shot by Mayor of Butte, Succumbs to Injury.

Butte, Mont., July 5.—Eric Lantala, the Finn miner who stabbed Mayor Louis J. Duncan on Friday night, died at a hospital to-day from a wound he received when the Mayor shot him. The attack took place in the Mayor's office when the Mayor refused to deport Frank Altonen, correspondent of a Hancock, Mich., Finnish newspaper. The constitution proposed by the executive committee of the new miners' union, made public to-day caused friction in the ranks of the insurgents. Those who oppose it allege it is modeled on principles of the I. W. W.

Death of Noted Playwright.

[Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch.] London, July 5.—Sidney Grundy, the noted playwright, died to-day at the age of sixty-six, after a prolonged illness. Mrs. Grundy's best known plays were "A Pair of Spectacles" and "A Bunch of Violets."

NO MORE COLONIST RATES ON SOUTHERN

President Harrison Orders Them Withdrawn, Believing They Militate Against South.

Washington, D. C., July 5.—No more low, one way colonist rates from any point on its lines to the West and Northwest will be sold by the Southern Railway Company. President Harrison announced that the company has permanently withdrawn from participation in such rates from points where they have been in effect to meet similar rates offered by competing lines.

This announcement is in accordance with the policy of President Harrison to do everything possible to discourage the movement of people from the South. For a number of years the Southern Railway has endeavored to discourage the offering of low colonist rates from the South, and has only placed them on sale at points where it was felt necessary to meet competition. From this time on, however, no such rates will be offered, regardless of any action that may be taken by any other line. The company will continue to offer homeseekers rates into the South and will do everything possible to encourage the coming of desirable settlers to the territory along its lines.

President Harrison feels that the South offers greater opportunity than any other section, and that people living in the South cannot improve their conditions by moving, and consequently the decision to withdraw permanently any rates which might serve as an inducement to some persons to leave the South is in their interest as well as in the general interest of the South.

GIFT TO JOHNS HOPKINS

Securities to Amount of \$1,500,000 Will Be Delivered To-Day.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] New York, July 5.—Securities to the amount of \$1,500,000 will be delivered to the Johns Hopkins Medical School to-morrow by the General Education Board.

This gift which is known as the William Welch endowment for clinical research provided that the entire income of the endowment shall be utilized for the support of full time teaching and research departments of medicine, surgery and disease of children. A grant of \$750,000 has been made by the board to Washington University, St. Louis, and another of \$500,000 to Yale University on the same conditions. These will be the first two medical schools to follow Johns Hopkins in this important advance. Since the specialists employed by the institutions will devote their whole time to hospital work and medical teaching, and will be obligated not to accept any fees from any patient, the usual private patient will pay the institution—not the doctors—a reasonable fee.

BRYAN LEASES HOME IN ASHEVILLE FOR SUMMER

Asheville, N. C., July 5.—Secretary of State William J. Bryan has leased a home in this city for the summer months, and with his family will spend as much time here as his official duties at Washington will allow. Mrs. Bryan, accompanied by her daughter and grandson, will arrive here the latter part of next week, and will remain until the early part of September. After filling several Chautauqua dates in this State during the next two weeks, Mr. Bryan will join his family here.

Bandits Secure \$2,000.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Chicago, July 5.—Three masked bandits entered the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railroad ticket office at Western and Austin Avenues early to-day, bound and gagged Ticket Agent Harry Nelson, blew open the safe, secured \$2,000, and made their escape.

Simpson, of New York, and a dozen ophthalmologists from San Francisco, are expected to reach here this evening, augmenting the force of experts now engaged in stamping out the contagion.

GEORGIA WANTS TO MAKE PRECAUTIONARY FIGHT

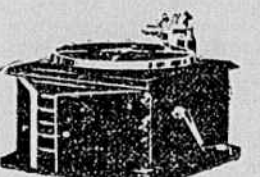
Atlanta, Ga., July 5.—The State Board of Health, it was announced to-day, has asked the General Assembly, through Governor Stanton, for an appropriation of \$20,000 with which to fight possible entrance of bubonic plague into Georgia seaports. In requesting the appropriation, the health officials announce they wish to make an investigation following the recommendation of Surgeon-General Rupert Blue, of the United States Public Health and Marine Hospital Service.

RUCKER WILL ASSIST IN FIGHT ON PLAGUE

Washington, July 5.—Assistant Surgeon-General William C. Rucker, left here to-day for New Orleans to assist in stamping out sporadic cases of bubonic plague. The news that another case had been discovered in the Crescent City aroused the officials of the Public Health Service, and experts in fighting the plague will be sent from many cities.

Surgeon-General Blue will return to Washington to-morrow for a few days to arrange for the long siege that is expected in New Orleans.

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